



10th Anniversary Celebration of Casa Gallina

As we approach the end of 2024, Casa Gallina reflects on the achievements and learnings that we have built together with our community. This year has been a testament to the impact that collaborative work can generate around the environment, culture and community life. Through activities such as film cycles, intergenerational workshops, educational programs, and partnerships with several organizations, we have strengthened our mission to promote spaces for meeting, reflecting, and acting collectively. We also celebrated 10 years of community work with a collective funding campaign that will allow us to continue consolidating significant projects for our environment. We deeply appreciate the support of the communities we collaborate with, as these partnerships allow us to keep building a more participatory and sustainable future. Below we share the details of these initiatives that seek to strengthen our community and celebrate our alliances.

Environment and Community



Projection of *Nopalli: The Green Gold*

In collaboration with **Cineclub Micelio**, from July 25 to October 31, the cycle *Diving together: Water and its Problems, Solutions or Apocalypse*, which addressed different perspectives on water: its administrative problem, the contamination derived from its use and disposal, attempts to privatize, its vital importance, some solutions to optimize its use and, finally, possible catastrophic fictitious scenarios in the face of its scarcity. From November 14 to 28, also in collaboration with **Cineclub Micelio**, the film cycle *Earth, History and Life* was held, focusing on the history of Milpa Alta, its connection with the land, the planting of nopal cacti, and the care of local animals. These two cycles were very meaningful to neighbors, as they led to collective reflection on shared issues. The films allowed them to see themselves reflected in these situations, encouraging the analysis of possible solutions and alternatives.

Art Projects



Work process of neighbors with family albums

During July and August, a group of senior neighbors gathered to use their family albums as a starting point to reflect on the memories and meanings behind their photos. Guided by editor Mariela Sancari and writer Adolfo Córdova, the group created a collective album centered around the neighborhood of Santa María la Ribera, which became the shared axis of their stories.

Educational Program



Urban art workshop for teenagers

A group of teenagers from the neighborhood explored and identified several urban expressions, such as graffiti, paste-up and sticker intervention. Accompanied by urban artists Hellcat (Elena Ortega) and Scifu (Sara Cifuentes), they participated in activities such as creating a fanzine, photographic documentation, and designing a mural in the interiors of Casa Gallina, learning and experimenting throughout the creative process.



Recrea training session

This year, we conducted twelve trainings to implement the educational book-game ***Recrea. A Compilation of Educational Strategies***. Addressing preschool, elementary, middle school, arts education and informal education, we have shared tools and methodologies with 173 teachers directly. This educational tool encapsulates the exchanges, dialogues and experiences generated during a collaborative process involving formal and informal educators from Campeche, Puebla, Oaxaca, Guerrero and Mexico City. The goal was to activate and adopt the board game **Recreo la ciudad** (I Recreate the City), produced by Casa Gallina in 2019. We look forward to continuing to disseminate this methodology, which has so far impacted 3,615 students through the teachers who have implemented it.

Community Services



Autumn dance for seniors

On October 29, we held the **Seasonal Dance**, a meeting space where seniors dance and share with other people from the neighborhood. On this occasion, the celebration was accompanied by a Day of the Dead "ofrenda" (offering), where guests participated by placing photos of their loved ones. Attendees shared their thoughts about the event:

"Thank you for making the elderly happy." —Chelo Santos.

"As each season, I really enjoyed the event, congratulations and please continue with this project." —Georgina Valley

Other Alliances



Milpa Alta cuisine workshop

This series of two workshops held in August and November, connected neighbors with recipes based on the species grown in the milpa, highlighting their relationship with the planting and harvesting seasons. The participants, guided by members of the **Calpulli Tecalco** organization, prepared dishes such as beans with quintoniles, anise tamales, tejocote atole, corn pancake and dough-based beans, all typical recipes of the dry season. In addition to sharing the cooking experience, the workshops included conversations about socialization processes, parties, and traditions associated with food preparation.



Maizapán workshop

In October, we had the participation of **Ziranda's Gourmet** in the Miscellaneous in Common, a family project led by Laura Padilla and located in San Antonio Tecomitl, Milpa Alta. As part of their participation, they offered a workshop on making maizapán, an original recipe inspired by traditional regional sweets.



Illustration auction

From October 17 to December 13, we launched a collective funding campaign to celebrate 10 years of community work at Casa Gallina. All collected funds will go towards financing Casa Gallina's programs, ensuring that our activities continue to make a significant impact on the community. The funds will be used specifically for: community space, art projects, exhibitions, publications, and educational programs. Within the initiatives of this campaign, a **Kermés with Cause** was organized, which included artists who donated illustrations for an auction, the agri-music group Campo y **Sabor from Colombia**, and the collaboration of several communities of neighbors.

For more details about the programs, visit our website www.casagallina.org.mx and follow us on social networks: [Facebook Casa Gallina](#), [Instagram casa_gallina](#), [Youtube Casa Gallina](#).

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